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## Joint Resolution

Designating March 25, 1993, as "Greek Independence Day: A National Day of Celebration of Greek and American Democracy".

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Whereas the ancient Greeks developed the concept of democracy, in which the supreme power to govern was vested in the people; Whereas the Founding Fathers of the United States of America drew heavily upon the political experience and philosophy of ancient Greece in forming our representative democracy;

Whereas these and other ideals have forged a close bond between

our two nations and their peoples;

Whereas March 25, 1993, marks the one hundred and seventysecond anniversary of the beginning of the revolution which freed the Greek people from the Ottoman Empire; and

Whereas it is proper and desirable to celebrate with the Greek people, and to reaffirm the democratic principles from which our two great nations were born: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That March 25, 1993, is designated as "Greek Independence Day: A National Day of Celebration of Greek and American Democracy". The President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe the day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Approved March 20, 1993.